THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday 14th December

Family Worship with Ark Time, 9.15am Healing Eucharist, 11.15am

Tuesday 16th December

Christmas ISingPop, 4pm

Wednesday 17th December

BCP Holy Communion in the Ark, 10am Places of Welcome, 10am - 11.30pm Open Church, 10am - 12pm

Thursday 18th December

Tots and Toddlers, 9.30am - 11am

Sunday 21st December

Christingle Cafe Church, 9.15am with breakfast pastries served from 8.45am Morning Worship, 11.15am Carols and Reading, 6pm

Nativity - Get Involved!

We still need a Mary, an Angel and a Star. Please speak to Penny in the Parish Office, Revd Gail, or a churchwarden if you are able to take one of these parts

Join us for our Advent group at 10:30am on Mondays throughout Advent. 55 Birmingham Road B48 7TB. All are welcome. Sue and Roger

For wedding, baptism, or funeral enquiries, or to find out more about the life, ministry, and mission of St Leonard's and St Laurence Churches, please contact Penny in the Parish Office.

Email: churchbeoleyandalvechurch@outlook.com Phone: 0121 447 7955 The office is open Tuesday–Thursday, 9.30am–1.30pm.



ST LAURENCE CHURCH SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Here, everyone is welcome, valued, and loved by God and each other as we explore faith and prayer together

WELCOME TO ST LAURENCE CHURCH

Whether it's your first visit or your hundredth, you are warmly welcome. We hope you encounter the peace and love of God in this time of worship.

For those who prefer a more interactive or flexible way of engaging, our Be Space is a place to move, fidget, wonder, create, or simply be—without expectation or pressure. All ages are welcome to sit there and participate in the way that suits them best.

Bible Readings:

Isaiah 35: 1-10 page 719 in Pew Bible Matthew 11: 2-11 page 976 in Pew Bible

The Collect Prayer

God for whom we watch and wait,
you sent John the Baptist to prepare the way of
your Son: give us courage to speak the truth,
to hunger for justice,
and to suffer for the cause of right,
with Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen



St Laurence, Alvechurch

Advent Service: Lighting of Star with Alvechurch Middle School Choir * Sunday 30th November, 5pm

> ISingPop Christmas Tuesday 16th December, 4pm

Cafe Church Christingle Sunday 21st December, 9.15am

Carols and Christmas Readings * Sunday 21st December, 6pm

> Nativity Christmas Eve, 4pm

First Communion of Christmas

* Christmas Eve, 11.30pm

Christmas Day Family Worship Christmas Day, 10am * *



St Leonard's, Beoley

Christmas Festival and Market * at Willow Trees Community Centre Saturday 6th December, 11am - 3pm *

Church@4: Exploring Advent at Willow Trees Community Centre Sunday 7th December, 4pm

Toy Service Sunday 14th December, 9.15am and 11.15am

> Carols and Christingle Sunday 21st December, 6pm

Come and Join in Nativity Christmas Eve, 6pm

First Communion of Christmas Christmas Eve, 11.30pm

Parish of Alvechurch and Beoley

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

Christmas Day Community Lunch Ipm at The Ark, Alvechurch

Do you fancy some company on Christmas Day?
Whether you live alone, you are a couple or a larger family unit you are invited to join us at The Ark for a Christmas Day Community Lunch.

Menw
A tradition Christmas lunch with Turkey or Nut
Roast and all the trimmings.

Dessert will be a selection of Christmas treats including cheese and biscuits.

Wine, soft drinks and tea and coffee

Transport

Would you like to come but need help in getting to The Ark?

We can help with this too!

Call and speak to us.

Booking

If you know that you are definitely coming, please book in advance,

If on Christmas Day you would like to come but haven't booked please do come along anyway, there is always plenty to go round.

Cost

Free. There is no cost

To book or for more information of the please contact The Ark 0121 447 7955 admin@thearkalvechurch.co.uk

Volunteers for Christmas Wrapping

At Places of Welcome, St Laurence Church

Hands Up for Helping Hands! CAN YOU SPARE A COUPLE OF HOURS?

It's crunch time! We need a few more festive elves to help us wrap the Christmas presents for our annual Community Day Lunch!

We provide ALL of the paper, tape, scissors, and good cheer—just bring yourself and your wrapping talents (or willingness to learn!)

Come join us and help us bring some extra sparkle to Christmas

Wednesday 17th of December 10:00 am - 12 noon

To donate to St Laurence scan the QR code for the area of church life you would like to support and follow the instructions on the link. Many thanks for your support







General Fund



Churchyard Fund